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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Wolfgang RUF et al.

Group Art Unit 1731

Appln. No. : 09/978,041

Examiner: K. Hastings

Filed : October 17, 2001

For : LAMELLA OF A HEADBOX OF A PAPER, CARDBOARD, OR  
TISSUE MACHINE

## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of July 2, 2002, the period for response having been extended one month, from October 2, 2002 to November 4, 2002 (November 2, 2002 being a Saturday), reconsideration of this action and allowance of all the claims of the present application are respectfully requested and are now believed appropriate in view of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

*Please amend the paragraphs as follows (Marked-up copies of the amended paragraphs are attached as an Appendix):*

*Please replace paragraph [0018] with the following amended paragraph:*

**[0018]** Out of the group of high-performance polymers that perform the above-mentioned requirements during operation and during cleaning of the headbox in an excellent

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